Numb. 3377

The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

From Monday March 21 to Thursday March 24 1697.

Cadiz, February 17. N. S.

A Courier from *Madrid* has brought Orders for the Fleet bound for *Buenes Aires*, to sail with all expedition. We have some Advices from the *West-Indies* which say, that the Fleet expected here from *New-Spain* is come to the *Havana*, and will sail thence in company of the Galeons, which we hope may arrive by the month of *May*. We hear from *Ceuta*, that the Garison of that place have received fresh Supplies of Men and Provisions, and have taken from the Enemy a Fort which they had built at the head of their Works, and that the Moores had likewise been reinforced, but had been obliged to discontinue for some time their Attacks against that place, by reason of the hard Weather and great Snows they have had there.

Venice, March 8. Our Senate has given Orders to Signior *Priuli*, Governor of the Gulph, to be going forthwith for the *Levant*, with a considerable Sum of Money to pay the Army and Navy in those parts; and fresh Supplies of Men and Money have likewise been sent to *Dalmatia*. All things are preparing with much diligence for the departure of the great Convoy, which will shortly sail to the *Levant*, and Forces arrive here daily in order to go along with the same. We have an account from *Napoli di Romania*, that all things were very quiet on the Frontiers, and that General *Molins* was preparing to come hither, so soon as he has given up the Command of the Forces there to General *Cornaro*, who is appointed to succeed him, and was shortly expected there. Our last Letters from *Smirna* bring an account, that the Cham of *Tartary* was arrived at *Adrianople*, where frequent Consultations were held concerning the Operations of the next Campagne, and the Supplies to be raised for carrying on the War.

Dantzick, March 15. Upon the Advices our Senate received, that the King of *Poland* came on the 12th Instant to *Mariembourg*, they deputed several Persons to wait on his Majesty, and to compliment him upon his arrival in these Parts; He is expected to night or to morrow at a Country House near this City, where his Majesty will stay a day or two, till all things are put in order for his Reception here. It is believed his Majesty will make but a short stay, designing soon to return to *Poland*, to forward the Preparations against the next Campagne, when he intends to appear in the Field with a considerable Body of German Forces, which joined with those of *Poland*, will make a powerful Army. Several Deputies from the Palatinates in *Lithuania* have waited upon the King, who all complain much of the Houſe of *Sapieha*, and seem very desirous of a Dyet on Horseback. It is not yet known how far the King may be inclinable to comply with them in this last particular; In the mean while our Letters from that Province gives us fresh hopes, that the Differences there may be happily composed.

Vienna, March 12. The Duke of *Lorraine* intends to go hence in a fortnight or three weeks, to take possession of that Duchy, which is restored to him by the Peace. Divers Soldiers arrive daily from the Hereditary Countreys to recruit the Imperial Forces, and a great number of Horses are coming from *Bavaria* to remount our Cavalry. We hear from the Frontiers, that Count *Herberstein* with a Party of Imperial Forces, had advanced within two Leagues of *Temeswar*, but the overflowing of the *Tibisk* occasioned by the late Thaw, had obliged him to return without executing his design; and that another Party of our Troops, who went towards *Seraglio*, were returned with a very great Booty. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is expected here towards the end of this month from *Germany*, and 'tis discourſed, that he will command the Emperor's Army in *Hungary* the next Summer.

Francfort, March 20. The Commissioners sent by the Elector *Palatine* to take possession of the Places restored to him by the Crown of *France*, pursuant to the late Treaty, having executed their Orders, are returned to *Dusseldorp*, to give his Electoral Highness an account of their Proceedings. We hear from *Strasbourg*, that the Sieur *d'Obretz* being named by the French King to be his Commissioner for adjusting the Dutchess of *Orleans*'s Pretentions on the *Palatinate*, which by the Treaty of Peace are referred to their Imperial and Most Christian Majesties, parted from that place the first Instant for *Paris*, to receive his Instructions, from whence he is shortly expected here, part of his Equipages being already come.

Strasbourgh, March 25. Great quantities of Cannon, Arms, Provisions, and other Ammunition, are daily brought hither from the Places which are to be restored to the Emperor and Empire. The day on which they will be be evacuated is not yet fixed, though all things are ready in some of them in order thereunto; All that part of the Fortifications and Bridges at *Philipsbourg*, *Huningen*, and *Fort-Louis*, which according to the late Treaty of Peace were to be razed, being already destroyed: Only the demolishing of the Fortifications of *Hombourg*, *Bitsche*, *Eberembourg*, *Kirn*, and *Montroyal*, is not yet quite finished